#### IC 31-19-7

Chapter 7. Prior Approval of Placement of Child in Proposed Adoptive Home

#### IC 31-19-7-1

# Prior written approval of placements

Sec. 1. Except:

- (1) for:
  - (A) a child sought to be adopted by a stepparent;
  - (B) a child sought to be adopted by a blood relative; or
  - (C) a child received by the petitioner for adoption from an agency outside Indiana with the written consent of the division of family and children; or
- (2) if the court in its discretion, after a hearing held upon proper notice, has waived the requirement for prior written approval; a child may not be placed in a proposed adoptive home without the prior written approval of a licensed child placing agency or county office of family and children approved for that purpose by the division of family and children.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.11.

#### IC 31-19-7-2

## Consent of county office of family and children

Sec. 2. Whenever the written approval for placement of a child in a proposed adoptive home is obtained from a licensed child placing agency, the consent of the county office of family and children is not required unless the child is a ward of the county office of family and children.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.11.

### IC 31-19-7-3

## Approval filed with adoption petition

Sec. 3. Approval under this chapter for placement in a proposed adoptive home must be filed with the petition for adoption. *As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.11*.